

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Palese et al.

Application No.: 08/444,994 Group Art Unit: 1814

Filed: May 19, 1995

Examiner: K. Lau

For: IDENTIFICATION AND USE OF Attorney Docket No.: 6923-054
ANTIVIRAL COMPOUNDS THAT
INHIBIT INTERACTION OF
HOST CELL PROTEINS AND
VIRAL PROTEINS REQUIRED
FOR VIRAL REPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.115

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 27, 1997, and pursuant to the provisions of Rule 115 of the Rules of Practice, please consider the following amendments. Applicant submits concurrently herewith: (a) a Petition to Extend Time for three (3) months, from June 27, 1997, to and including Monday, September 29, 1997, with appropriate fee, and (b) a Fee Transmittal Sheet.

Attorneys for Applicants take this opportunity to thank Examiner Kawai Lau for the telephonic interview with Laura A. Coruzzi, Applicants' representative, on September 26, 1997. The substance of the interview is reflected in the amendments and remarks, below.